Data of unemployment in the country

7675. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA:

SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether any financial assistance has been given by Government to State Governments for the elimination of child labour; and

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) Twelve National Child Labour Projects (NCLPs) are currently under implementation in the States of Andhra Pradesh. Bihar Maharahstra. Orissa, Rajasthan; UP and Tamil Nadu covering approximately 14,000 children. A major activity undertaken under the NCLPs is establishment of special schools to provide basic needs like non-formal education, vocational training, supplementary nutrition etc., to children withdrawn from work. Funds are released to the Project Societies and the NGOs implementing the National Child Labour Projects, No financial assistance has been given by the Government to State Governments for the elimination of child labour under the National Child Labour Policy, 1987—National Child Labour Projects Scheme of the Ministry of Labour.

In addition to the above, an allocation of Rs. 34.4 crores has been made by the Planning Commission for the current financial year to eliminate child labour in hazardous occupations, estimated at 20 lakhs, by the year 2000, in a phased manner.

Implementation of the Employment Exchange (Compulsory notification of vacanies) Act, 1959

7676. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the Employment Exchanges (Compulsory Notification of Vacancies) Act, 1959, recruitment in Government, Semi-Government, Public Undertakings, Corporations etc. are to be made through the employment exchanges only;

(b) whether Municipal Corporation of Delhi and Delhi Police are making recruitment directly instead of through employment exchanges;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to endorse the provisions of the Act and what action does it propose to take against the violator deparments?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) The recruitment in these organisations are made as per approved Recruitment, Rules. Where the posts are to be filled by Direct Recruitment, these are notified to concern Employment Exchages/SSC/UPSC.

(d) Employment Exchanges are under the administrative control of the State Government. They are to take action agaist the departments that violate the law. Central Government are not aware of any violation of the Act by any such organisations.

Kendu Leaf Workers in Orissa

7677. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state: (a) the approximate number of workers in Orissa dealing with plucking of Kendu leaf;

(b) whether those Kendu lent werkers have been demanding the payment of minimum wages to them and also some better facilities;

(c) if so, the steps taken to ensure minimum wages for them;

(d) the welfare measures proposed to be adopted for them; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Huuse.

Funds for Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Development Council

7678. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of special central assistance allocated and released to Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council during the last 4 years;

(b) whether utilisation certificates of these funds were submitted in time;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) Allocations and releases of Special Central assistance for the last four years are given below:

(Rs. crores)

Year	Allocations	Releases
1991-92 . . .	19.32	19.32
1992-93 . . .	19.32	19.32
1993-94 . . .	20.61	20.61
1994-95 . . .	20.61	10·43

(b), (c) and (d) Utilisation certificates are awaited from the Government of West Bengal. One of the reasons for not submitting the certificates could be time led in reconciliation bf the accounts.

Plan Allocation for Madhya Pradesh

7679. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the plan allocations for state plans during the last three years state-wise and particularly for Madhya Pradesh including the exact amount provided by Central Government and amount spent on the specifically earmarked projects;

(b) whether Madhya Pradesh State is being neglected in this regard; and

(c) if so, the remedial measures being undertaken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) to (c) A statement of state-wise revised approved outlay and actual expenditure/ anticipated expenditure for Annual Plans 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 in given as Annexure (*See* Appendix 173, Annexure No. —164 Central Assistance to the non Special category States are provided on the basis of a formula approved by the National Development Council in 1991. This Central Assistance is given by way of block loans and grants and is not ment for any specific project. Madhya Pradesh which is a non special category State, gets its due share of Central Assistance.

Allocation of Resources for the Development of rural Areas

7680. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the policy regarding allocation of fifty percent resources for the desvelopment of rural areas is being followed;

(b- if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?